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Dear Mr. Beaty:

As promised at our recent meeting, this is to update you in relation to additional Departmental activities in connection with environmental sensitivities.

I am inviting to a planning meeting in mid-November, in Ottawa, representatives from the following organizations to prepare for a national workshop on environmental sensitivities. These include:

The Canadian Society for Environmental Medicine;
The Allergy and Environmental Health Association of Ontario;
The Allergy Information Association;
The Canadian Society of Allergists and Immunologists, and
The Canadian Medical Association.

The Associations are being requested to outline their concerns, to give advice on topics which should be discussed and to recommend names of persons they believe should participate.

I have discussed this matter over the phone with Mr. Chris Brown, and I trust that this approach will result in new initiatives in addition to activities currently underway in the Department. I can assure you that we will collaborate actively with these organizations to try to alleviate the problems being experienced by people suffering from this syndrome.

Yours truly,

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